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This paper has no desire to enter into a personal and useless newspaper harangue with a competitor simply because it is a competitor. We do not aim to do so, but that does not mean that we will let go unchallenged any untruthful statements made about us or our business. Personal animosity against competitors, even to the extent of untruthfulness, becomes a habit with some alleged editors. We are unfortunate enough to be acquainted with several who have the habit highly developed. They are more to be pitied than censured.

Thanks, Avfully

The editor of our contemporary has told of a few things he never did, and they are all to his credit, and we sincerely hope and trust that he will finish the race without being guilty of any transgressions. We are not in the habit of putting on discarded footwear, and for that reason have passed over the insinuations made by our friend. Insinuation is a great instrument when handled by a person of sense, especially by one who can limit himself to the bounds of truth and knows whereof he speaks. Our friend doesn't say so, but intimates (there is where the old shoe comes in) that we edited a republican newspaper in Oklahoma. That is a perversion of the truth, or what Webster calls a lie, for the simple and sufficient reason that we never edited a paper of any kind or character until we tackled our present job. It is true that we have worked in the mechanical departments of papers, democratic as well as republican, for a stated stipend. It is also true that we worked in the mechanical department of the Clayton Citizen from March until December, not "for a year or so" as is insinuated. It is untruthful, either by insinuation, fact or grammar, that we ever "sat" on a republican linotype. It cannot be done, and we are too turned busy to do it if it could. One doesn't "sit" type, nor one doesn't "set" type. Thanks, professor, a Lehigh man knows better than that. It is absolutely false that we ever voted the republican ticket or "set" ourselves up as a democrat. We didn't have to "set ourselves up" as a democrat—we were born that way. As to the insinuation of voting a republican ticket, we never voted for but one republican in our life and his name was Shiry. It is a fact that there are several old fossils around Clayton who thought they were working us several years ago, and whose minds, if they have any, evidently run in the same channel and are about as active as that of our insinuating friend, and who have been busy cheerfully lying in blissful ignorance of their imbecility.

Well, recent developments have shown Teddy to be a sorry specimen of a purist. According to personal admissions he was in the same boat with Boss Platt and Boss Barnes and took his orders the same as the other little fishes.

We are glad to learn definitely and beyond dispute, that there is an organization to keep the jimmy and its activities from being forgotten. We have known, of course, that The News would have plenty of help in this matter; in fact, the county is overflowing with it. It will be about the most prominent thing, politically, in this country for the next several years. Don't forget the jimmy. All the bologna sausage fellows, all the hoodwink fellows, all the peewit fellows, and all other good fellows are strictly on the job.

It is passing strange, at least, according to thinkless thinkers of a certain brand, why The News receives so much hearty commendation for its "tirades" in the interest of the people. It must be thought

The Knocker's Creed

I believe that nothing is right. I believe that everything is wrong. I believe that I alone have the right idea. The town is wrong, the editor of The News is wrong, the teachers are wrong, the preachers are wrong, the people are wrong, the county commissioners are wrong, the town dads are wrong, the banks are wrong, the things they are doing are wrong and they are doing them in the wrong way anyhow. I believe I could fix things if they would let me. If they don't I will get a lot of other fellows like myself and we will have a law passed to make others do things the way WE want them done.

I do not believe that the town ought to grow. It is too big now. I believe in fighting every public improvement and in spoiling everybody's pleasure. I am always to the front in opposing things and never yet have I advanced an idea or supported a movement that would make people happier or add to the pleasure of man, woman or child. I am opposed to fun and am happiest at a funeral. I believe in starting reforms that will take all the joy out of life. It's a sad world and I am glad of it. Amen.

by such dynamic condemners of the system, but upholders of its greed, that the people do not know the difference between 15 and 50. The home builder who lives south of the creek knows the difference; that is why he goes to the mills. There is no use in haranguing about this proposition; there is no use in indulging in brainless apothecia against The News simply because you don't like it—it doesn't care—and as a general proposition is proud of its enemies and glad they are so few. The people are wise, and it takes more than bluff and bluster to disturb their equilibrium or pull the wool over their eyes.

Reduce Tax Valuation

The total reduction made by the state tax commission in the valuation of corporate property for the present year is \$1,270,100. This is shown by a review of the final findings of the commission. The total tentatively fixed at the March session was \$99,654,100, and that definitely fixed at last week's meeting \$98,384,100.

The addition of bank property, which totals \$5,378,800, makes the total valuation of property definitely fixed by the commission \$103,762,900. Besides railroads and banks the list includes telephone and telegraph property, Pullman and express property and electric railways and transmission lines. The various totals follow:

Railroads, \$95,840,940; telephone companies, \$994,200; telegraph companies, \$509,800; Pullman company, \$943,200; express companies, \$81,100; banks, \$5,378,800; electric railways and transmission lines, \$154,400.

Methodist Notes for Sunday, May 2.

9:45 a. m., Sunday School.
10:45 a. m., morning worship and sermon by the pastor.
7:45 p. m., evening worship and sermon by the pastor.
Chorus rehearsal Tuesday evening at 8:00 o'clock. Bible study on Thursday evening at 7:30 o'clock.
Ray Spotts Dam, Minister.

Two Minute Title Talks

Size vs. Efficiency.

One of our great writers has said "The difference between a great man and an ordinary one may not lie so much in the size and quality of the brain, but in the way it is used—whether to full capacity or only in part."

This applies to the system by which abstracts are made. It does not depend upon whether an elaborate paraphernalia or system is employed, so long as the title is given to its capacity. Come in and let us show you that a small index has a large capacity.

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Twists; and having twisted
Twists out; nor all thy
Lord cuss-words nor
Naughty names
Can make the blame thing e'er
Untwist itself
Nor all thy
Perspiring efforts
Straighten the
Cursed thing out.

Santa Fe New Mexican.

Sudan Grass

Sudan grass seed was first introduced into America in March, 1904, the first seed having been obtained from the director of agriculture, Khartoum, Sudan Africa. So satisfactory were the first tests of the seed that more was rapidly grown in order that extensive trials could be carried out and its possibilities as a forage crop thoroughly studied and understood.

This grass is very closely related to the cultivated sorghums, more closely than Johnson grass, because it has no troublesome rootstock. It is finer in growth and more like than sorghum, produces more a better hay than millet and excels timothy in nutritive value. It is easily cured and handled as I and makes good ensilage. It yields three or four cuttings, each producing one to two tons of hay per acre. A fair average is five tons of hay per season. In addition, first crop at maturity produces the neighborhood of 600 pound seed per acre under ordinary conditions, but under irrigation and careful cultivation over 2000 pounds to the acre have been secured.

Sudan grass does not produce root stocks and in this country strictly an annual crop. It can infest the land like the obnoxious Johnson grass for the first kills it off and its roots are eradicated by plowing. Further more, it has shown no tendency

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